The Kentucky Board of Ophthalmic Dispensers May 20, 2015

A regular meeting of the Kentucky Board of Ophthalmic Dispensers was conducted May 20, 2015, at the Office of Occupations and Professions, 911 Leawood Drive, Frankfort, Kentucky.

Members Present
Granville Smith, Chairman
Dr. Jim Luckett
Melanie Abner, Secretary
Dr. James Patterson

Occupations and Professions Staff Present Lindsey Melton, Board Administrator Gordon Slone, Executive Director

Others Present

Marcus Jones, Assistant Attorney General

Members Absent

Dorothy Newberry

Call to Order

Chairman Smith called the meeting to order at 10:00 a.m.

Approval of Minutes

Ms. Abner made a motion to approve the meeting minutes from the March 18, 2015 meeting. Dr. Luckett seconded that motion and it carried.

Review of Financial Statements

The Board reviewed their financial statements from the months of March and April 2015.

O&P Report

Mr. Slone reported the Office of Occupations and Professions has some personnel changes taking place as they have hired a new Board Administrator and are looking to hire two more to fill vacancies.

There is a new phone system in place that is very different from the last one and allows each Administrator to have their own phone line rather than extensions off of the main line of 502-564-3296. Ms. Melton's new number is (502) 782-8809. This system also has a new voicemail feature that allows voicemails to go directly to the employees email and they're able to listen to them through their email account.

Susan Ellis, Operations Section Supervisor provided a Financial Report cheat sheet with this month's Director's Report. This cheat sheet offers an explanation and example of what each line item on the financial reports mean and how those numbers are found. This will help all members as they review their financial reports in meetings and clear up any confusion that may have come from dollar amount figures in the past.

Mr. Slone also went over the Memorandum of Agreement between the Board and the Office of Occupations and Professions. The MOA for this next Fiscal Year is simply a renewal of the agreement that was signed last year as that was for a biennial budget. Ms. Abner made a motion for Chairman Smith to sign the agreement on behalf of the Board and continue to receive the same services from the Office of Occupations and Professions. Dr. Luckett seconded that motion and it carried.

Board Counsel Report

Marcus Jones, Assistant Attorney General went over three pending issues concerning the Board at this time. In the case regarding the Optician that had faced criminal charges the Board made a motion to send the licensee a written reprimand and also include a probationary period and fine from the Board. Ms. Abner made the motion and Dr. Patterson seconded the motion and it passed.

Recently the Attorney General's Office received an Open Records request regarding Kentucky Laws. Mr. Jones received this for several Boards and was sending a response out on behalf of this Board. It asked for the make-up of the Board, as well as their operation.

In 2014 Mr. Brentlinger found a Halloween Store in Nicholasville selling colored contact lenses. He informed the owner at the time of the visit that those were illegal to sell and that they needed to stop immediately. The owner offered a brochure from the manufacturer and explained that his product was different and that the manufacturer keeps track of the actual prescription and the store employees must phone in and log the information to the company. The Board asked Mr. Jones to send a Cease and Desist to the store and inform them that no color contacts are legal to sell unless they are in an Optical Store and measured by someone licensed in the Optical profession.

The Board also asked to open an investigation into case #2015-01. Ms. Abner made a motion to begin this investigation. Dr. Patterson seconded that motion and it carried.

Ophthalmic Inspector Report

Mr. Brentlinger was not present for the May meeting.

Licensure Status Report

Mrs. Melton reported there are currently 199 Apprentice Ophthalmic Dispensers, 585 active Ophthalmic Dispensers, and 117 Inactive Ophthalmic Dispensers.

Approval of Apprentice Applications

Ms. Abner made a motion to approve the following Apprentice Applications:

- 1. Daniel Shouse Vision Works, Louisville, KY
- 2. Megan Ray Lenscrafters, Louisville, KY
- 3. Kimberly Van Meter America's Best Contacts & Eyeglasses, Florence, KY
- 4. Rachel Johnson Georgetown Eyecare, Georgetown, KY
- 5. Rachel Grisham Thoma & Sutton Eyecare, Cold Springs, KY
- 6. Teylor Smith America's Best, Louisville, KY

- 7. Ashley Rigdon Wal-Mart Vision Center, Elizabethtown, KY
- 8. Angela James Wal-Mart Vision Center, Ashland, KY
- 9. Kenneth Shoats Harvey Eye, Louisville, KY
- 10. Olivia Taylor Cecil Family Eyecare, Bardstown, KY
- 11. Kayla Baumgartner Thoma & Sutton Eyecare, Ft. Mitchell, KY
- 12. Madelayne Decker America's Best, Louisville, KY
- 13. Abigail Beard Precision Eyecare, Bowling Green, KY
- 14. Rachell Kolle Wal-Mart Vision Center, Louisville, KY
- 15. Jennifer Fuson Wal-Mart Vision Center, Middlesboro, KY
- 16. Robin Macke America's Best Contacts & Eyeglasses, Florence, KY

Dr. Patterson seconded that motion and it carried.

Approval of Practical Exam Applications

Ms. Abner made a motion to approve the following Applications for Practical Examination

- 1. Rachel Johnson Georgetown Eyecare, Georgetown, KY
- 2. Julia Fonov Eyeglass World, Lexington, KY
- 3. Sherri Sutton Wal-Mart Vision Center, Paris, KY
- 4. Linwood Oakes Wal-Mart Vision Center, Berea, KY
- 5. Renee Murrell Meijer Optical, Bowling Green, KY
- 6. Matthew Greenwell Vision Works, Bowling Green, KY
- 7. Mary Humphrey Sam's Optical, Bowling Green, KY
- 8. David Lopez Wal-Mart Vision Center, Redlands, CA

Dr. Luckett seconded that motion and it carried.

Approval of Continuing Education

Ms. Abner made a motion to approve the Continuing Education offered by Costco for ½ credits. Dr. Luckett seconded that motion and it carried.

Additional Business

Mrs. Melton informed the Board that a check for a renewal had been returned in February and even after the grace period that the office offered the licensee to pay the fee it still has not been paid at this time. Mr. Jones offered to work with Mrs. Melton on this situation and see if they are still working at this time.

Approval of Travel and Per Diem

Ms. Abner made a motion to approve travel and per diem for members that attended today's meeting. Dr. Luckett seconded that motion and it carried.

Next Meeting

The Board will meet again on Wednesday, July 15, 2015 at the Office of Occupations and Professions.

Adjournment

Dr. Luckett made a motion to adjourn the meeting at 11:19am. Ms. Abner seconded that motion and it carried.

Granville Smith, Chairman